

VIA E-FILE

PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 13768,440

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT "A" AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
AFTER NON-FINAL

VIA E-FILE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of August 10, 2006 (paper no. 08012006), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.